

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media conglomerations and the generous tax cuts they are receiving from our current president.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for them and less of what we need for our democracy. Since Sinclair does use public airwaves, they owe an equal right to both sides of this election and not the partisanship that drives their own personal beliefs. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive, non-partisan news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. On behalf of young voters everywhere, we would like to ask that you not allow Sinclair to air this unreasonable display of partisan politics, or at the least enforce them to air an equivalent program against their man, George Bush. Thank you.